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AMENDMENT

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Sir:

This Amendment is being filed with a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 in response to the Final Office Action mailed from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on October 23, 2006 in the above-identified application. Reconsideration and further examination are requested.

The undersigned attorney petitions the Commissioner for Patents to extend the time for filing a Notice of Appeal in reply to the Office Action made Final dated October 23, 2006 for three months, from January 23, 2007 to April 23, 2007 under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a).

In lieu of filing a Notice of Appeal, Applicants' Attorney is filing a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) concurrently herewith.

Please amend the application as follows: